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received by the respective Naval Officers, and accounted for, with, Session and paid to, the said Commissioners; and for which, the Naval Laws Officers shall receive the usual Salary; and make the Importer the Allowance of Twenty per Cent, for Leakage.

And Be It Likewise Enacted, by the Authority aforesaid, That for every Gallon of Rum, Wine, and other Spirits, that shall be Imported, (except from Great Britain) into this Province, after the last Day of July, aforesaid, in any Vessel belonging to the Inhabitants of this Province only, shall be paid by the several Importers, to the several and respective Naval Officers, Two Pence current Money, to be collected as other Duties herein before mentioned; and accounted for, with, and paid to, the said Commissioners; and the same Salary to be allowed the Naval Officers; and the same Allowance made to the Importers, as the said recited Act directs.

And Be It Further Enacted, by the Authority aforesaid, That the several House-keepers, or Overseers, who are allowed to tend Tobacco Plants, shall be obliged to find and provide Wood for burning such Tobacco, as herein before mentioned, and to bring the same Wood and Tobacco to such convenient Place or Places, on their Plantations as the Persons appointed to see such Tobacco destroied shall direct and appoint, on Penalty, that every Person who shall refuse to find and provide, and bring to convenient Place, such Wood and Tobacco, shall forfeit Ten Shillings current Money of Maryland, for every Hundred and Fifty Weight of Tobacco directed by this Act to be destroied, One Half thereof to the Lord Proprietary, to be applied towards the sinking Fund, mentioned in this Act, to be accounted for, and paid to the said Commissioners for that Purpose, and the other Half to the Persons to be appointed to burn and destroy such Tobacco, as aforesaid; to be recovered before any single Magistrate, as in the Case of small Debts; and the Oaths of the Persons to be appointed as aforesaid, shall be allowed as Evidence to prove the Fact.

And Be It Enacted, by the Authority aforesaid, That the Persons to be appointed to burn and destroy Tobacco, according to the Direc- p. 12 tions of this Act, in each respective Precinct, shall give each and every House-keeper, or other Person within their Precinct, allowed to tend Tobacco Plants, a Receipt for the Quantity of Tobacco that shall be destroied, as aforesaid; and also return to the several Justices, at their next Court, a fair List of the several Quantities of Tobacco by them destroied; which Lists are, by the said Justices, to be compared with the Counters List, lodged with their Clerk, in order to discover whether the full Quantities enjoined by this Act to be, shall be destroied, which Receipt shall intitle every such House-keeper, or other Person, or his or her Order, to receive Fifteen Shillings in the said Bills of Credit, for every One Hundred and Fifty Pounds of Tobacco so destroied; and that the Persons appointed to destroy, or cause such Tobacco to be destroied, shall be paid Six Pence for every